

**ABSTRACT**

A modular cornice system includes at least one substantially rigid face section and at least one substantially rigid return section having a connector configured to couple the return section and the face section. The system further includes at least one retainer 5 on the face section configured to engage a bracket for attaching the cornice system to a mounting surface. An opening may be provided on the sections to receive a portion of a cover material, so that the cover material may be applied over at least a portion of the face section.